

report of the Botanical Section is a local flora of Manchester and vicinity compiled by Mr. Frederick W. Batchelder. The flora is restricted to the pteridophytes and spermaphytes, and is arranged according to the sequence of Engler and Prantl's *Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien*. The author enumerates 817 species and varieties of plants within his limits, and adds a brief statement regarding the frequency of each. At the end of the list are several pages of valuable notes likely to stimulate observation upon the more critical species. On page 74 occurs the new combination, *Glyceria borealis*, Batchelder (*Panicularia borealis*, Nash). The abundance of oaks, of which Mr. Batchelder enumerates no less than nine, is in striking contrast to their paucity in the upland regions of southern New Hampshire.

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PARIETARIA DEBILIS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.—In August, 1896, while on a bicycle trip to Nottingham, New Hampshire, I paid a hurried visit to Pautuckaway Mountain, where many rare and interesting plants were observed. Among them was a prostrate, vine-like weed, which had a familiar aspect, but which I could not readily place in the botanies of this region. By referring to the Botany of California, however, I found it to be *Parietaria debilis* Forst., and then remembered it as a common plant of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Some seed planted in 1897 produced a few plants. I was unable to find any more in the original locality in 1899, but this was probably owing to the extreme drought. Although a homely weed, this plant is an interesting find in New Hampshire, since it is far out of its range and is new both to Gray's Manual and Britton and Brown's Illustrated Flora.—A. A. EATON, Seabrook, New Hampshire.

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